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**MAYOR JERRY SANDERS  
PRESS RELEASE**

**MOTION IN ANCIENT LANDSLIDE AREA ON MT. SOLEDAD  
CONSIDERED COMMON IN STABILIZATION EFFORT**

***Movement Limited To Area Within Landslide Boundaries***

Mayor Sanders reported last night that the landslide area of Mt. Soledad was affected by new movement of soil at approximately 3 p.m. The new movement caused vertical displacement of approximately 5 feet vertically and 14 feet horizontally.

- Land movement was limited to the original landslide area. Additional damage occurred to one of the red-tagged homes at the base of the mountain and the City will also be changing one home which was previously a “yellow tag” to a “red tag”.
- City staff and emergency personnel were on-site throughout the night bringing in dirt to place at the toe of the landslide area at Desert View Drive Alley, in an effort to stabilize the area from further movement.
- City engineers and geotechnical consultants are currently on site evaluating the impact of yesterday's movement to current construction schedules, and conducting surveys to determine exactly how much movement took place.
- Over the coming weekend, rain contingency plans, including covering the slopes with large sheets of plastic, will go into effect in anticipation of storms arriving in San Diego Monday of next week.

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